NOTICE OF GRANT AVAILABILITY

NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:

Early Intervention System

Special Child Health & Early Intervention Svs.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

P.L. 105-117 (Part C of IDEA) and P.L. 1993, Chapter 309

GRANT PROGRAM NO. 07-61-SCH **TYPE OF AWARDS TO BE ISSUED:**

Cost-reimbursement grants or letters of agreement

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS WILL BE USED:

To provide support for a statewide network of early intervention services for developmentally delayed/disabled children, birth to three, and their families.

AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE GRANT PROGRAM:

Funds available for this activity are contingent upon State and Federal appropriations. Approximately \$80,000,000 should be available to fund Regional Early Intervention Collaboratives and direct providers of early intervention services. Continuation awards within an approved project period will be based on satisfacory performance and will affect the amount of funds available for new competitive grants. The grant period is from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Terms and Conditions for the Administration of Grants
- 2. General and specific Grant Compliance requirements issued by the Granting Agency.
- 3. Applicable Federal Cost Principles relating to the Applicant

GROUP OR ENTITIES WHICH MAY APPLY FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM:

For-profit or not-for-profit corporation, government agency, hospital, school, college, or university.

QUALIFICATIONS NEEDED BY APPLICANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A GRANT:

- 1. Demonstrated ability and capacity to meet the programmatic requirements.
- 2. Certified financial audit, for the most recent completed fiscal year, by an independent auditor.
- 3. Demonstrated successful experience in providing direct services to infants/toddlers birth to three with developmental delay and their families.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Submit a completed "Request for Enrollment" and as appropriate submit an enrollment package for consideration. A description of the enrollment process and "Request for Enrollment" is available at www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/eiphome.htm. Based on funding availability for new projects, a formal request for application will be published by the program. If requested in the RFA, submit a Letter of Intent to Apply, preliminary cost summary, and a preliminary personnel summary to the Office of the Part C Coordinator (see below). Submit grant application in accordance with the requirements in the formal request for application, an audited financial statement, and opinion by an independent certified auditor.

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DEADLINE BY WHICH APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED:

The schedule can vary by type of grant. Schedules will be included in the various requests for application. Typically, the schedule is as follows: RFAs are released prior to March and application deadline is 30 days after release of RFA.

DATE BY WHICH APPLICANT SHALL BE NOTIFIED WHETHER THEY WILL RECEIVE FUNDS:

Notification of Award is prior to July 1, 2006.